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Minutes of Richmond Heritage Commission Meeting 7/17/17, Vets Hall 3:00 p.m.

Present: Carol Jameson, chair; Bonnie McCarthy, treasurer; Sandy Laughner, Susie Roney, (representing all of the Commissioners since the recent resignation of Bob Weekes). Jerry Mills and Bob Weekes attended as guests.

- The office of Secretary is vacant. The Commission appointed Susie Roney as Secretary.
- Bonnie gave the treasurer's report
- Brewer Park: Work has begun on the area commemorating the site of the old Town Common (before the widening and repositioning of Rte 32) and former Brewer house, now owned by Ed and Melissa Atkins who have granted the town an easement to construct the memorial. Bonnie McCarthy and Bob Weekes described the work in progress and the remaining tasks to be completed. The Commission thanks Bob Weekes, Ed Atkins, Peter Kimball, Sandy Laughner and Bonnie for all their work. The project is expected to be completed this summer, with additional signage and landscaping to follow.
- Telephone Building: Work to begin cleaning up around the building. The front door will be replaced and members of the RHC will paint it. Jerry will research more history of the building and will write an article for the Rooster and maybe the Sentinel once the building is restored..
- Town Pound: Clean up will begin around area to make it accessible and safe to start working on the walls.
- Vets Hall / Memorial Park: The town will soon be stumping and removing rocks shortly. The Heritage Commission will recommend to the Selectboard that the back of Memorial Park be leveled. With this work to be done [along with the clearing out around he telephone building] should create a "cleaner look" around the area.
- Tramp House: The library has accepted the Tramp House memorabilia and history wall into the archives for safe keeping. The Commission signed a temporary receipt allowing them to retrieve the materials should the Archives no longer wish to retain them.
  - Jerry Mills reported about the recent Fish Hatchery educational walk. He is

hoping to schedule another walk and one on Monument Road for those who could not attend before.

- Jerry Mills and John Lewis have agreed to join the Richmond Heritage Commission, Jerry as a member taking Bob Weekes' term expiring 2020, and John as an alternate. The Commission will recommend their appointments to the Selectboard.
- Bob Weekes had recently resigned as member / secretary to spend more time with wife Jan and to work on projects around their home. We have all enjoyed working with him and he will be greatly missed. Susie Roney was appointed the new secretary. Bob will continue his work on the site of the former Town Common/Brewer Park even though he has resigned from the Commission.

The Commission has established a different date and place for monthly meetingsthey will generally be held the third Monday of the month at 2PM at the Library, unless rescheduled due to conflicts (in which case the different time or place will be posted). The next meeting will be August 21 at 2 PM at the Library.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30

Susie Roney, secretary